

Letter from Alexander Melville Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, February 5, 1881, with transcript

February 5th, 81. (No envelope, no other heading) My dear Al.,

I have an idea for a new transmitter which you will be able to put to the test if you think it worth trying. It consists of a spiral below the diaphragm which might combine a varying electrical existence with a natural mechanical variation of the spiral. We have been expecting every day to hear from you. Your Aunt and Aileen left for good yesterday and your Uncle comes today to settle up house matters. I am just about to start for Town to meet him on the arrival of the train.

Love from all to all.

Your affectionate father, Alex. Melville Bell.